

August 22, 2001

## BY FACSIMILE AND U.S. MAIL

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RE: MURs 4568, 4633, 4634 and 4736

Robert Cone

Dear Mr. Braden:

On August 21, 2001, the Federal Election Commission found that there is probable cause to believe that your client, Robert Cone violated 2 U.S.C. §§ 441a(a)(1) and 441a(a)(3), which are provisions of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended, in connection with excessive contributions made to Carolyn Malenick d/b/a Triad Management Services and Triad Management Services Inc. during 1995 and 1996.

The Commission has a duty to attempt to correct such violations for a period of at least 30 days and no more than 90 days by informal methods of conference, conciliation, and persuasion, and by entering into a conciliation agreement with a respondent. If we are unable to reach an agreement after 30 days, the Commission may institute a civil suit in United States District Court and seek payment of a civil penalty.

E. Mark Braden, Esq. Counsel to Robert Cone MURs 4568, 4633, 4634 and 4736 August 22, 2001

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Sincerely,

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